

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GA6/I/7

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Scope of Legal Protection under the Convention on the

Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly

The General Assembly

*Recalling* resolution 57/338 of 15 September 2003 passed by the General Assembly in which it strongly condemned the atrocious acts committed against the head quarters of the United Nations Assistant Mission in Iraq, Baghdad on August 2003,

*Recalling also* resolution 49/59 of 9 December 1994, which was passed by the General Assembly, thus adopting the conditions under the convention on the safety of United Nations personnel,

*Reaffirming* that there is great need to promote and ensure the respect for Human Rights, and to abide by the principles of International Law,

*Keeping in mind* that the U.N. and associated personnel have an obligation to respect the National Laws of the country in which they are working, in accordance with the U.N. Charter,

- 1. *Calls* with great hope to all the 157 nations where the United Nations mandates are being carried out to insure the safety of the United Nations and associated humanitarian efforts on their ground;
- 2. *Reminds* the regional countries that their assistance during the conflict will help maintain existing peace within their borders, throughout the region, and the global community;
- 3. Acknowledges that there are countries who are willing to assist in conflict resolution but do not have the means to do so, i.e. economic resources, personnel, technology, military assistance:
- 4. *Requests* upon approval of the General Assembly the establishment of an Ad-Hoc subcommittee which will
  - (a) Remain open to all states party to the safety convention;
- (b) Remain always active for the purpose of constant assessment of situations applicable to the safety convention;

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- (c) Maintain a constant line of communication within the Counter Terrorism Commission for the purpose of maintaining the safety of the United Nations forces;
- (d) Report to the Ad-Hoc Committee as often as necessary and possible to ensure compliance of the Safety Convention;
- 5. *Encourages* sincere states to assist other countries at their request under the United Nations Charter;
  - 6. Considers what assistance and support these sincere states require in resolving conflict,
- 7. *Solemnly affirms* that both states receiving assistance as well as the states offering assistance must consent to the aid and support;
- 8. *Encourages* the international community to protect the lives of UN and associated personnel as they work for the common good in a world of great need for cooperation and unity;
- 9. *Suggests* that the Security Council assess the security situation of a country prior to the deployment of civilian personnel in that territory;
- 10. *Supports* increasing the number of United Nations workers and associated personnel, and improve their coordination and management by making their training more effective and specific to the areas of the world they are working in, i.e. personal defense training, learning the local language and culture, and the basic "trade" they will focus on.

Final Vote: 52 in favor / 16 opposed / 21 abstentions